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SUBJECT: BLITZ ON SANJAY

FOLLOWING SENT ACTION NEW DELHI INFO CALCUTTA MADRAS FROM  
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SUBJ: BLITZ ON SANJAY

1. FEBRUARY 14 BLITZ FRONTPAGED KARANJIA INTERVIEW WITH  
SANJAY GANDHI, OPENING WITH SANJAY'S REPLY TO KARANJIA'S  
QUESTION CONCERNING "A DYNASTIC SUCCESSION" THAT "IN A  
DEMOCRACY SUCH THINGS DON'T ARISE." SANJAY BELIEVES "IN  
ANYTHING THAT WILL HELP THE POOR. JUST USING WORDS SUCH  
AS RIGHT AND LEFT HAS NO MEANING. THIS IS A POINT ON WHICH  
THERE IS NO DIFFERENCE OF OPINION BETWEEN MY MOTHER AND  
ME."

2. KARANJIA VIEWS SANJAY AS "A YOUNG MAN OF FEW, VERY FEW  
WORDS" TO WHOM "PROMISES AND PROGRAMMES MUST BE MATCHED BY  
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PERFORMANCE." KARANJIA WAS "IMPRESSED" WITH SANJAY'S

"DOWN-TO-ROOTS REALISM," EVIDENT IN HIS PLAN OF ACTION FOR THE YOUTH CONGRESS WHICH ENVISAGES BLOCK LEVEL ORGANIZATION ALL OVER THE COUNTRY" TO INVOLVE YOUNG DOCTORS, LAWYERS, TEACHERS, ETCETERA, IN THE SERVICE OF THE IGNORANT AND ILLITERATE PEASANTRY," AND WAS LED TO RMARK THAT SANJAY'S PROGRAM IS "GENUINELY GANDHIAN" IN ITS "SIMPLICITY AND DIRECTNESS."

3. NOT SURPRISINGLY, SANJAY SEES "A WAV OF ENTHUSIASM" FOR THE 20-POINT PROGRAM. THE YOUTH CONGRESS CAN HELP IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 20-POINT PROGRAM, H SAID, "BY ACTING AS THE EYES AND ARS OF THE GOVERNMENT BY CHECKING THE WORK DONE AND REPORTING ON IT.

4. ON THE DURATION OF THE EMERGENCY, SANJAY REPLIED THAT "AS SOON AS THE GAINS MENTIONED ARE CONSOLIDATED, THERE WILL BE NO NEED FOR THE EMERGENCY, NOW OR IN THE FUTURE. SIGNED COURTNEY

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